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From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, June 2.

Paris, June 4.

A Vine Dreſſer living in one of the Suburbs of Troyes in Champaigne, digging about a Vine on the 22d ult. found a Crucible in the Form of a Citron, and covered with a Tile, in which there were above 200 old Medals of fine Gold, repreſenting ſeveral Emperors and Empreſſes, particularly Nero, Veſpaſian, Domitian, Trajan, Julia Fauſtina, Lucilla, &c. Theſe Medals are ſaid to be all of the ſame Size, and to weigh almoſt as much as the Louis d'Or of 24 Livres. By the Indiſcretion of the Vine Dreſſer they are diſtributed into ſeveral Hands; but as they are fit for the King's Cabinet, there's no Room to doubt but an Order will be iſſued to collect and ſend them to Court.

Bourdeaux, May 31. Our Royal Academy of Belles Lettres, Sciences and Arts, has propoſed two Subjects for the Prize, to be diſtributed on the 25th of Auguſt, 1726. The firſt Subject is the Uſefulneſs of Bathing. The Second is the Cauſe and Nature of Thunder and Lightning, with an Explanation of the Phœnomena thereon depending.

London, June 2. The Right Honourable the Earl of Stair is ſet out for his Seat in Scotland.

From the Flying Poſt, June 2.

Philadelphia, Feb. 8. Proviſions are very ſcarce and dear in Barbadoes, Flour two Piſtoles a Barrel, and not any Beef or Pork to be had; Salt Beef was ſold for twelve Pence a Pound, but the Iriſh Veſſels were daily expected.

Philadelphia, Feb. 15. There is now arrived in the River, two Brigantines from Barbadoes, Capt. Oſwel and Wallis. One of them left Barbadoes the 19th of January. They ſay Flour is fallen very much, and will hardly fetch 14 ſh. Our River is now driving with Ice.

London, June 2. One Mr. Parry a Stockjobber, is in Cuſtody of a Meſſenger, who apprehended him laſt Sunday Morning by Warrant from the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount Townſhend, for attempting to publiſh a Paragraph of Falſe News, having been for that Purpoſe with ſeveral Printers of the publick News. Thus according to the Notice we humbly gave the Publick in ſome former Papers, of the vile Tranſactions in Exchange Alley; the Government has now laid its Hands upon one of thoſe Miſcreants, which will perhaps lay open a large Scheme of Villany, there being a great many more eaſily to be pointed out, who 'tis to be hoped, will in a few Days be called to Account, and be obliged to produce their Books, and declare the Principles for whom they have ſold ſuch great Sums of imaginary Stock, with a Deſign to wound publick Credit.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, June 2.

Petersburg, May 12. The Preparations for War that are making here as well by Sea as Land, are indeed formidable; and moſt part of the Ruſſian Fleet being already failed from Cronſlot, they continue to work with Diligence on the fitting out of the Veſſels that yet remain in our Road; and altho' no regular Troops are yet embarked, ſeveral Regiments of Foot have Orders to be be in readineſs to go on board at the firſt Warning. The Troops that are in Gariſon in this City and its Neighbourhood, perform their Exerciſe two Hours every Day, in Preſence of the Duke of Holſtein and Pr. Menzicoff.

Stockholm, May 21. The Court has received Advice by an Expreſs, that the Dutcheſs Dowager of Meclemburg, who ſet out the 15th from Yſted, was ſafely arrived at Wiſmar, in one of the King's Fregates, which croſſed the Sea in 18 Hours. Some Troops are ſhortly expected from Finland.

Warſaw, May 25. On the 20th the two Arabian Princes had Audience of his Majeſty, wherein they laid before him their Diſtreſs, having been driven out of their Dominions by the Turks; whereupon his Majeſty ordered ſome Money for their Maintenance.

From the Evening Poſt, June 2.

Lisbon, May 2. The 28th of April being the Anniverſary of the Birthday of the Infant Don Carlos, who then entred into the 11th Year of his Age, there was a great Feaſt at Court on that Occaſion.

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London, June 2. We have certain Advice, by the way of Genoa, That his Excellency the Lord Carpenter landed at his Government of Minorca the 5th of May, O. S. His Lordſhip received the Compliments of the Magiſtrates of Mahon in a Body, as alſo of the whole Body of the Clergy, with very high Expreſſions of Joy upon his Arrival, &c.

Two of the Regiments from Ireland, viz. Newton's and Middleton's, are landed in England.

Upon a Repreſentation made to his Majeſty, that in the 6 Regiments coming from Ireland, there are probably many private Soldiers who have deſerted from them, and ſince enliſted themſelves in other Regiments in G. Britain; and that divers Soldiers who did formerly belong to the Regiments now in G. Britain, may have deſerted from thence, and entred themſelves in ſome of the Regiments now coming from Ireland: His Majeſty has hereupon graciouſly been pleaſed to grant his Pardon to all ſuch Soldiers who have deſerted in the Manner foreſaid before the firſt May laſt *incluſive*, and who are now in any of the ſaid 6 Regiments, or in any of thoſe in G. Britain: And likewiſe to declare, That it is his Royal Intention, that they ſhall continue in the Service as they now are, without being moleſted, or claim'd by the Officers of the reſpective Corps to whom they did formerly belong.

From the Poſt-Man, June 2.

Dreſden, May 25. The Life-guard Man who lately committed the horrid Murder on the Perſon of the famous Lutheran Paſtor Hahn, is very ſtrictly watch'd in the Guard-houſe: Having been examined by ſeveral Commiſſioners, 'tis ſaid he made no Scruple to own, that he has been contriving this Vilainy for a long Time. We are impatient for the Return of the Expreſs ſent to Warſaw, to know the King's Mind concerning his Puniſhment. Mean-time we cannot too much commend the wiſe Conduct of the Count de Wakerbard our Governor, who has found Means to pacifie the enraged Populace, by aſſuring them, that he will be puniſhed with the utmoſt Severity of the Laws of this Country. Our Magiſtrates have ſent a full and true Account of the whole Affair to all Proteſtant Courts, and particularly to the Britiſh Miniſter at Ratisbon.

Warſaw, May 25. General Poniatowski, High Treaſurer of Lithuania, is ſet out for Grodno with Orders to prepare the neceſſary Lodgings and other Conveniencies for the King and the Court; which affords Ground to believe that the Diet will be held at the Time before mentioned, if not ſooner. The King has kept his Chamber for ſome Days, being under a certain Diet he generally uſes this Month. The Electoral Prince applies himſelf very much to the Affairs relating to the Electorate of Saxony. The Tartarian Envoy's Charges and his Retinue is defrayed by the Crown, and receives every Week 40 Pound of Tobacco, beſides his Eating and Drinking; but he has not as yet had an Audience of the King. We expect here a new Ruſſian Miniſter, who 'tis thought, will be the ſame that lately reſided at the Court of Sweden. On the other hand, we begin to queſtion the coming hither of the French Envoy, who reſided at the ſame Court, and has lately left it.

Vienna, May 25. The Empreſs being ſomewhat out of Order at Laxemburg, is look'd upon as a happy Preſage of her Pregnancy. The Emperor aſſiſts regularly at the Conferences held upon the preſent Juncture: 'Tis ſaid, that in Yeſterday's it has been reſolved to march ſome Troops from Tranſilvania towards the Frontiers of Sileſia. The General Count Zumjungen is now upon his Departure for Bruſſels, waiting only for his laſt Inſtructions, relating to the General Command of the Imperial Army in the Auſtrian Netherlands. This General is in particular Favour with th'Emperor and Prince Eugene, highly eſteem'd by all the General Officers, and greatly reſpected by the Troops. The Duke of Holſtein's Miniſter is frequently in Conference with thoſe of the Emperor, and is vigorouſly ſupported by the Ruſſian Miniſter here. On Monday-morning all the Gates were kept ſhut, by Order of the Government, to make Search for the Vagabonds here, a great Number whereof were taken. Some of the Foreign Miniſters pretend to have received Advice from Conſtantinople, That the Porte has ordered 100,000 Men towards the Caſpian Sea, which however wants Confirmation; ſince other Letters relate, that the Turks will find more Work in Perſia than they thought for; and that Sultan Eſref, Meriweys's Succeſſor, deſigns to ſend another Miniſter to the Grand Signior, to reclaim a-new all the Conqueſts his Sublime Highneſs has made in Perſia. The Turkiſh Aga is not expected here before 5 Weeks; he is to reſide as Conſul 6 Years. It has been repreſented to the French Ambaſſador here, that according to Advices from all Parts the French grow very numerous upon the Rhine; and in caſe the King his Maſter ſhould undertake any Thing againſt the Empire, he may be ſure to meet with powerful Reſiſtance. The Dutch Envoy has likewiſe been asked, whether their High Mightineſſes will alſo ſend a Squadron into the Streights? The ſaid Miniſter anſwered, that he knew nothing of it.

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Copenhagen, June 1. Capt. Fontenay, who the other Day came into our Road, was ſent by Admiral Wager; his Diſpatches are kept very ſecret. Our Squadron, which by contrary Winds is detained between Moen and Bornholm, is victualled for 4 Months.

London, June 2. Yeſterday the King's Baggage was carried from St. James's to Kenſington; his Majeſty and the 3 Princeſſes deſigning to ſup there this Evening.

Sunday next the Court at Leiceſter-houſe remove alſo to Richmond.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, June 4.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland.

LEtters from Cadix adviſe, that on the 21ſt an Expreſs arrived there from Madrid, with Orders to ſuſpend the Departure of the 3 Men of War which were fitting out for the Weſt Indies, and to ſend 2 Advice Boats, one to Carthagena, and the other to Havana; from whence its informed, that the Galleons will not arrive this Year. And 'tis argued, that in Default thereof, the Spaniards will be obliged to negociate 4 Millions of Piſtoles, to Anſwer the Exigencies and Engagements which his Catholick Majeſty is under, and from thence 'tis concluded, that they are not able to carry on a War, altho' the ſame is talked of more than ever at Madrid; from whence we are alſo adviſed, that Colonel Stanhope has had 2 Audiences of the King on the Affair of the Duke de Riperda's Retreat to his Houſe, but what has been the Reſult thereof has not been known: Mean Time 'tis confirmed, that he is accuſed amongſt other Things of divulging the Secrets of his Court.

In the Anſwer given by the Great Chancellor of the Imperial Court to the Memorial preſented by Mr. de St. Saphorin, complaining of the ſtopping the Engliſh Meſſenger at Belgrade on his Return from Conſtantinople, are the following Paſſages, viz.

We leave all the World to judge, whether the detaining ſuch a Perſon as this in a Frontier Town who was returned from ſuch an Errand, and who was nevertheleſs releaſed afterwards, out of Regard to his Britannick Majeſty, can afford any Room to require Satisfaction for a Violation of the Law of Nations; if on the other Side, his Imperial and Catholick Majeſty had not good Reaſon to complain of it.

Beſides we know very well why what was ſaid by the Duke de Riperda is confounded with this Matter; tho' it hath naturally no Relation to it, which together with the Emperor's Conduct in the whole Courſe of this Affair, will diſcover to whom we have Reaſon to attribut theſe premeditated Deſigns of a Rupture, and to whom the Violation of the Law of Nations ought to be imputed.

This is not ſuch an Anſwer as might be expected to the foreſaid Memorial of Monſieur de St. Saphorin, who therein juſtly repreſents, that as the King his Maſter can look upon this Procedure no otherways than a Violation of the Law of Nations, and he hopes his Imperial Majeſty would not refuſe in giving Satisfaction in ſuch a Manner, as may equal that Greatneſs of the Inſult which hath been offered him; ſince otherwiſe 'tis very viſible, that he cannot be perſwaded but that the Report that has been ſpread of him, as well as the arreſting of his Courier, is only the Conſequence of a Deſign before laid, of coming to open Rupture with his Majeſty, in Purſuance of thoſe Projects, which the D. de Riperda declared to his Ambaſſador, were formed againſt him by the Emperor and King of Spain.

Letters from the Hague of the 11th Inſt. ſay, they had received Advice that the Duke de Riperda having been again demanded off Colonel Stanhope by the King of Spain and refuſed, was by Force taken out of Mr. Stanhope's Houſe, and impriſoned in a neighbouring Caſtle; what will be the Iſſue of the Proteſt, we do not pretend to Determine: Mean Time the Spaniards inſiſt, that no Ambaſſador can protect a State Criminal, and that Colonel Stanhope on the other hand, has entered a Proteſt againſt theſe Proceedings, as being againſt the Law of Nations, and ſent an Expreſs thereof to his Court.

Colonel Anſtruther, whoſe Regiment is to go on board the Fleet, is come up from Scotland.

The Honourable Hendry Vane Eſq; is choſen Member of Parliament for Lancaſter in Room of John Willis Eſquire.

Yeſterday died General Stewart, and 'tis ſaid the Groſs of his Eſtate, goes to his Nephew Brigadier Stewart.

Sir John Jennings, upon his Arrival at the Nore, diſcharged 300 Men as not fit for Service; but the Men brought over from Ireland are all good Sailors.

S. S. Stock 103. Some of the vile Stockjobbers have run that length as to get their forged Paragraphs inſert in the Foreign Prints; of which, 'tis thought, that in relation to the Duke of Beaufort is one. Six of the 7 united Provinces are come into the Hanover Treaty.

From

Madrid, May 21. The Duke of Wharton is returned to this City, at the Requeſt of the Duke of Liria. The Talk of War is greater than ever. The Council of Caſtile has found the Duke de Riperda guilty of High Treaſon.

Hague, June 11. The Marquis of S. Philippe, Ambaſſador of Spain, who returned laſt Night from Amſterdam with C. Coningſeck, Ambaſſador of the Emperor, died ſuddenly this Morning.

Edinburgh, June 9. The Beginning of this Week the Rt. Honourable the Earl of Findlater and Seafield came to Town.

We hear that one Andrew Ouryan, of the Kingdom of Ireland, Gladiator, having boldly challenged the whole Profeſſors of that Science in North Britain; the ſame has been accepted by the Famous Daniel Bain, *alias* Macbain, of the North of Scotland; and that a comparative Trial of their Skill in the noble Art of Defence, is to be the 20th inſt.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶ Whereas it was formerly advertiſed in the Edinburgh Courant, That the Lands of CRICHTONDEAN and LONGFAUGH, and Teinds thereof, all very capable of Improvement; having a Free-ſtone Quarrey in the Middle of the Ground, as alſo a Marrel Quarrey, with a convenient Houſe and Office houſes for an Inn, lying in the High Way for London, about 8 Miles from Edinburgh, in the Pariſh of Crichton and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, pertaining to Thomas Crombie; holding Feu of Sir James Juſtice of Crichton; were to have been expoſed to a voluntar Roup and Sale at Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 8th Inſt, at 3 in the Afternoon, in the Houſe of William Gray Vintner. And the Judge of the Roup, purſuant to the ſaid Advertiſement, attending the ſaid Day and Place; he, out of Regard to all Parties concerned, Adjourned the Roup of the ſaids Lands to Tueſday the 21ſt of June Inſt. at 3 in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of the ſaid William Gray. The Progreſs of the Writs of the ſaids Lands, and Conditions of Sale, are to be ſeen in the Hands of John Ruſſel Writer to the Signet, at his Writing-chamber oppoſite to the Croſs-well, North-ſide of the Street.

¶ On Saturday the 25th of June Inſt. will be run for, a Piece of SILVER PLATE, l. 12 ſterl. Value, thrice round the uſual Ground of the Muir of Havick, by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding, being Two in Number at leaſt, and belonging to different Owners; each Horſe, Mare or Gelding carrying 8 Stone Trois Weight, Whip, Bridle and Saddle included, muſt be entred at the Town-clerk's Chamber, before 11 a-clock before Noon, on Thurſday the 23d of the ſaid Month, and pay Half-a-guinea of Input, and a Crown to the Clerk; in whoſe Hands the Articles are to be ſeen.

¶ There is a general Meeting of the Creditors of the deceaſt Sir DAVID THOIRS of Raploch Advocat, appointed to be at Edinburgh upon Monday the 13th Inſtant, at three a Cloack after Noon, in John's Coffee-houſe, where the Creditors or their Doers are deſired punctually to attend.

Fiſhery-Office, May 24, 1726.

The Managers of the Copartnery are to expoſe to publick Sale, at their Office on TUESDAY the 14th Inſt. at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates, for Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

Four new Herring-nets, at 3 L. ſterl. each.

Eight ditto, containing 110 undreſs'd ditto at 15 ſh. each.

Utenſils for a Twine-work per Inventary, to be ſet up at L. 9, 17, 8 ſterl.

Ditto for the Cod-fiſhing, as per Inventary; to be ſet up at L. 14, 1, 8.

Ditto for a Barking-houſe, per ditto to be ſet up at L. 14, 16, 4 ſterl.

The above Goods will be ſhown at Leith by David Daes the Copartnery's Agent, and the Inventaries and Articles of Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-market. Alſo there will be expoſed to public Sale at the ſaid Office, and at the ſame Hour, 88 Laſts, 1 3d of Herring Barrels lying at Peterhead, in one Lot, to be ſold as they lie, at 14 ſh. per Laſt.

Notice is alſo hereby given, That the Managers of the Fiſhing Copartnery are to expoſe to publick Sale by Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-Market in Edinburgh, on Tueſday the 5th of July next, at three in the Afternoon, the Lands and Fiſhertoun of Peterhead with the Pertinents, and others belonging to the ſaid Copartnery, lying in the Pariſh of Peterhead and Shire of Aberdeen, the yearly Rental whereof, amounts to 191 Bolls 2 Pecks of Bear, 199 Bolls and 2 Pecks 1 3d Meal, 2 Bolls of Oats, and L. 80. 4. 1 10th *Sterling* of Money Rent and Feu Duties, being the neat free Rent, over and above the Miniſters Stipend. Item the Feus of 37 Houſes in Stonehaven, and Fiſh Boats in the ſaid Town, belonging to the ſaid Copartnery, lying in the *Sheriffdom* of Kincardin, the Free Rent whereof, amounts in all to L. 7. 12. 1 6th *Sterling*. Any Perſon who intends to bid for the above *Purchaſe*, may ſee the Particulars of the Rental, the Copartnery's Right, and the Conditions of *Sale*, at the Copartnery's Office.

The Managers of the Fiſhing Copartnery, finding that the Time appointed by the General Meeting, for making the firſt Dividend of the Stock amongſt the Adventurers, draws near; and finding that a great many of their Certificates remain yet not taken out: Do hereby give Notice to all concerned, That the Officers of the ſaid Copartnery will attend at the Burrow-room on Friday next, from 10 to 12 Forenoon, and from 2 to 4 after Noon, for giving out the ſame; and thereafter, at the ſame Place and Hours, on Monday the 30th Inſt. on Wedneſday the 1ſt, on Friday the 3d, on Monday the 6th, on Wedneſday the 8th, and on Friday the 10th of June. After which laſt Day, the Books of Certificates will be laid aſide, and no more iſſued till the firſt Dividend is over. The Managers do likewiſe further give Notice, That all Perſons who have Certificates made out in their own Names, or who have Right to the ſame by Indorſation, may have their firſt Dividend of Fiſhery-Stock at the Rate of 5 ſh. ſterl. per Pound, paid them at the Burrow-room, on Monday the 13th of June, from 9 to 12 aclock in the Forenoon, and from 2 till 5 aclock in the Afternoon; and on Wedneſday and Friday thereafter, at the ſame Place and Hours; and at ſuch other Time and Place as ſhall hereafter be advertiſed.